CoCoRaHS

August 2009

Wow! What a month July 2009 was! Some of you reported over 17 inches of rain during July! That's 4 times the normal monthly rainfall, that's more than some states out west get over an entire year! That's a lot of rain. On top of all the rainfall, temperatures were well below normal. The average temperatures across the state were among the coolest on record. Sometimes it was hard to remember that it was July and not April.

Waynesboro 9.7N – 17.73"
Waynesboro 0.0NE – 17.30"
Waynesboro 2.7E – 16.26"
Karns 0.6SSE – 15.38"
Waynesboro 2.7 NE – 14.66"
Linden 0.5 SSE – 14.05"

As always, you all did an outstanding job helping us to document weather across the Volunteer State. This month 300 observers were documented on the monthly rainfall map giving us a great picture of the rainfall across the state. When your observations are considered along with the COOP Network, Tennessee has one of the best observational networks in the United States! Thank you.

So what's in store for Tennessee! Little change is expected for the remainder of the summer. You can access the outlooks from the Climate Prediction Center and get a look at what we can expect all the way into next spring. The biggest news is that an el Nino has began and will have a big impact on Tennessee. We will have to rely on your observations again to see just how much its affected.

Great things continue in many different areas thanks to your involvement in CoCoRaHS. We still need observers in several counties. If you look at the daily and monthly maps you can see areas where we are thin on observations. If you know anyone that might be interested please share this email with them and let them know how to sign up.

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If you would like to share a picture of yourself and your CoCoRaHS gage, please send the image to ralph.troutman@noaa.gov.

Thanks again for being part of CoCoRaHS!

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